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DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131

I, Paul J. Godowski, Melanie Rose Mark, and Dong Xiao Zhang, declare and say as follows:

- 1. I am a named inventor of the claimed subject matter of the above-identified patent application. The above-identified patent application claims priority to U.S. Patent Application No. 08/899,437, filed July 24, 1997, which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/052,019, filed July 9, 1997. These priority applications name me or one or more of the other named inventors as inventor.
- 2. All work described in the above-identified application, the priority patent applications, and the sequence information attached as Exhibit A was performed by me or one of the other named inventors, or on our behalf, in the United States of America.
- 3. I am aware that some of the claims in the above-identified patent application have been rejected as allegedly anticipated by US Patent 6,727,077, which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application 60/049,492, filed June 17, 1997.
- 4. Prior to June 17, 1997, I or one or more of the other named inventors, or a person acting on our behalf, reduced to practice in the United States the NRL EGF-like domain, designated the NRG3 EGFlike domain and SEQ ID NO:4 in the present application.